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SUBJ: TIMES OF ZAMBIA SKEPTICAL AND NEGATIVE ON U.S. POLICY  
IN AFRICA

IN A RAMBLING, DISJOINTED EDITORIAL APRIL 23 THE TIMES OF  
ZAMBIA SHARPLY CRITICIZED U.S. POLICY IN AFRICA. U.S.  
HAD NO POLICY PRIOR TO ANGOLA; PRESIDENT FORD IN HIS  
"BUNGLING WAY" AND AIDED BY KISSINGER CAME UP WITH A  
POLICY WHICH WAS NOT A "TOTAL DISASTER." CARTER ADMINIS-  
TRATION HEADED OFF IN THE RIGHT DIRECTION BY APPOINTING  
THE "BLUNT SPEAKING MR. YOUNG" TO THE UN. HOWEVER,  
POSITIVE THRUST OF YOUNG APPOINTMENT HAS BEEN CLOUDED  
BY NEW ROLE FOR VICE PRESIDENT MONDALE IN AFRICAN AFFAIRS.  
PERHAPS THIS WILL WORK OUT SINCE THE VICE PRESIDENT  
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AND AMBASSADOR YOUNG WORK WELL TOGETHER AND SECRETARY  
VANCE "IS DISINTERESTED IN AFRICAN AFFAIRS." BE THIS  
AS IT MAY ALL THIS "MUSICAL CHAIRS" LEAVES THE U.S.  
WITH AN AFRICAN POLICY "AS ANTIQUATED AS DURING NIXON'S  
TIME." U.S. IS CHASTIZED FOR BASING AFRICAN POLICY  
ON A CONTEST WITH THE CHINESE OR SOVIETS RATHER THAN  
FOCUSING ON CORDIAL RELATIONS WITH THE COUNTRIES OF

THE CONTINENT. AFRICAN RESPECT AND TRUST OF THE U.S.  
IS BEING ERODED BECAUSE THE U.S. CHOOSES TO ACT ONLY  
WHEN ITS "INTERESTS" ON THE CONTINENT ARE THREATENED.  
THE PROSPECT IS THAT THIS EROSION WILL CONTINUE BECAUSE  
THOSE, SUCH AS ANDREW YOUNG, "HONEST AND PLAIN-TALKING  
ARE SEEN AS A THREAT BY THE CONSERVATIVE, RIGHTIST U. S.  
ESTABLISHMENT."

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